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Dranesville Dispatch

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Dear Dranesville Resident,

Welcome to the July issue of the Dranesville Dispatch.

The June 29 Derecho storm and accompanying recordbreaking high temperatures severely impacted many Dranesville residents. This edition of the Dispatch contains a section devoted to the storm and its aftermath.

In other news, I'm pleased to announce that several new pedestrian/bicycle projects have been funded for Dranesville as part of the County's Four-Year Transportation Plan. Also, the Metropolitan Airport Authority announced that it will be installing new sound walls along several sections of the Dulles Toll Road as part of the Metro Silver Line project. As previously announced,



the Virginia Department of Transportation will be installing new sound walls along the Connector Road path of the new rail line.

This month we broke ground on the project to underground utility lines in the commercial area of McLean around Old Dominion Drive and Chain Bridge Road. VDOT will also be installing new traffic signal mast arms at this location. The result will be a more inviting, less cluttered look for the center of the McLean revitalization area.

We now have a beautiful new pedestrian bridge beside Towlston Road where it crosses the Dulles Toll Road near Wolf Trap. And the bridge over Pimmit Run on Old Chesterbrook Road has been closed for the summer as VDOT replaces the bridge super structure.

In a very important development involving the Silver Line Metro project, the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors voted on July 3 to participate in the project. This will allow Phase II of the project to move forward without further delays.

All of these developments and many more are discussed in this edition of the Dranesville Dispatch. Please see the following page for a list of the articles included in this edition.

I hope that you enjoy the rest of the summer. As always, I welcome your thoughts on how to best serve the Dranesville community. Please feel free to contact my office with your suggestions and concerns.

Best Wishes, John W. Foust Dranesville District Supervisor

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Attention Homeowner Associations:

If you are interested in having Supervisor Foust attend your Homeowner Association or Civic Organization meeting, please contact the Supervisor's Executive Assistant, Dianne Peikin, at (703) 356-0551.

Please provide us with the latest contact information for your Association Officers so that we may keep you better informed of events in Dranesville that may impact you and your neighborhood.

Call (703) 356-0551 or email Julie Ide at <u>Julie Ide@fairfaxcounty.gov</u> with your latest information.

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Who's Who at Dranesville District Offices

For a more detailed list of staff assignments, visit our website at http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dranesville/staff assignments by subject new.htm.

Herndon Office

Our office in the Town of Herndon is dedicated to serving constituents in the western-most part of Dranesville. Staff Aide, **Jennifer Boysko**, is available specifically to assist Herndon area constituents.

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Derecho Storm

A Message from Supervisor Foust Regarding the June 29 Storm

Dranesville residents, VDOT, utility companies and County work crews are still cleaning up after the major Derecho storm of June 29. The storm arrived with little warning, causing widespread power outages, damage to houses and other structures, downed trees and snarled traffic because of blocked roads and dark traffic signals. It also caused a disruption in the Emergency 9-1-1 system. The impact of the storm was especially severe in the Dranesville District. Many Dranesville residents experienced power outages that caused loss of home cooling, refrigeration, lights and, for those on wells and septic, loss of water and sewage. Some of our most vulnerable residents were still without power one week after the storm. My staff and I worked through the week, including on July 4, to coordinate efforts with Dominion Virginia Power, VDOT and County Police on behalf of Dranesville Residents and to expedite the restoration of power to critical facilities.

Looking back on the Derecho and its aftermath, a number of people deserve thanks for their efforts. I especially want to thank the line workers and tree removal personnel, some from as far away as Canada, for working long hours in extreme heat to help restore power. I also want to thank the many residents who called to report power outages for neighbors or relatives in need. Homeowner association presidents let us know about entire neighborhoods that were dark, identifying specific streets without power. A special thanks goes to the Pastor McKinley and members of the Lewinsville Presbyterian Church for stepping up and making their building available to district residents as a cooling center.

There is room for improvement when we look at the overall handling of this storm. I have received a number of good suggestions from residents on how to better handle storm related emergencies in the future. I am working with the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments to study what happened on a regional basis, how the response was handled and how it could be improved. Of particular importance to the safety of County residents was the unacceptable multi-day 9-1-1 outage. At the request of County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments has formed a task force to work with Verizon to determine the causes of the 9-1-1 outages and to implement measures to ensure they are not repeated. I will also be working with county agencies, the utilities and the public to review the utility and emergency response in the Dranesville District. I was particularly disappointed by the long delays in restoring power to critical facilities like senior assisted living facilities and public buildings that were needed to operate as cooling centers.

The County has produced an initial study of its handling of the storm which can be found at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/emergency/reports/june-29-derecho/. This document is a work in progress. We intend to ensure that the on-going studies as well as self-analysis by all entities involved will result in a better response the next time the County faces a natural disaster of this type.

Local Food Pantries In Need of Donations

Local nonprofits and shelters have been busy supplying residents in need with food, water and other supplies that may have been lost during the June 29 Derecho storm (and the resulting extended power loss) and recent heat wave. Loss of power at the shelters and increased demand for assistance have depleted many of the shelters' reserves, and these food pantries are now turning to the community for help.

Fairfax County partner food pantries and nonprofits are accepting food and cash donations to help restock and supply our most vulnerable families with healthy meals. Those interested in donating should contact a local food pantry directly for more information on how to contribute.

You can contact one of these Dranesville area food banks to make a donation:

SHARE, INC.

McLean Baptist Church 1367 Chain Bridge Road (703) 284-2179 TDD: 711 Reston Interfaith, Inc.

11484 Washington Plaza, Suite 120 (571) 323-1400 TDD: 711

For a list of other food banks serving County residents visit http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/HSRG/pages/ServiceSearch.aspx?servicename=donations%20-%20food&ZipCode.

Sign up for Emergency-Related Communications

Community Emergency Alert Network

Fairfax County's Community Emergency Alert Network (CEAN) delivers important emergency alerts, notifications and updates during a major crisis or emergency, in addition to day-to-day notices about weather and traffic. Messages will be delivered to all devices you register. To register visit https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/alert/register.php

Special Needs Registry

The Special Needs Registry allows residents with medical needs and organizations assisting those with social needs an opportunity to provide information to Fairfax County so that agencies can communicate emergency preparedness, response and recovery resources to our vulnerable, at risk and hard-to-reach residents. The information collected will only be shared with Fairfax County agencies and partner agencies and organizations to improve their ability to serve and will not be available to the public.

To sign up for the Special Needs Registry visit <u>fairfax-county.gov/specialneeds/</u>.

Fairfax County Emergency Blog

The Fairfax County Emergency Blog)http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/emergency/blog) is a listing of entries containing official Fairfax County response and recovery activities during times of emergency.

Directions for signing up for blog emails, RSS feeds and other delivery options are found on the right column of the website.

<u>Fairfax County Twitter Messages (twitter.com/fairfaxcounty) Sent as Texts</u>

Text the words and symbol "on @fairfaxcounty" (without the quote marks) to 40404 to receive Tweets from the Fairfax County Office of Public Affairs. The Tweets will be sent as a text message on your text-enabled mobile device. To turn off the texts send "off @fairfaxcounty" (again, without the quote marks) to 40404.

Messages and Newsletters from Supervisor Foust

To receive emergency related information from Supervisor Foust, in addition to other important messages and regular issues of the Dranesville Dispatch electronic newsletter publications, email contact information to dranesville@fairfaxcounty.gov with 'Newsletter' in the subject line.

Yard Debris and Trash Disposal

The June 29 storm left many residents with yard debris in need of disposal. Refer to these instructions for disposal of storm-related yard waste:

If your trash is collected by a private company, call them directly to schedule a special pickup for yard waste from the storm. Private companies are required to pick up your regular garbage and yard debris at least once a week.

For homeowners who get their trash collected by Fairfax County, put your yard waste on the curb, and leave it there. County crews will eventually pick it up as they make their rounds. However, County authorities ask that you schedule a bulk pick up because this will help trash crews to prioritize their routes, and it will help to ensure that your house doesn't get missed.

Special pickups may be scheduled online or by calling (703) 802-3322, TTY 711, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. This special collection will not count against the five allowed per year.

Taking Your Trash and Yard Waste to the Landfills

Whether your trash is picked up by a private company or the

county, any resident can dispose of regular garbage or yard waste at the County's two landfills—the I-66 Transfer Station and I-95 Landfill—for a fee. Both facilities are open seven days a week during their normally scheduled hours.

There is a minimum \$5 fee for residents to dispose of yard waste and brush at either of the two landfills, and the minimum fee for regular trash is \$6. For more details, visit the fee schedule online. Payment may be made by cash, Visa or Mastercard.

The I-66 landfill is located at 4618 West Ox Road, and the I-95 landfill is at 9850 Furnace Road.

Most County residents get their garbage collected by a private company, but the County government provides trash collection for some residents. Check this map (PDF) to see if the County collects your trash or call (703) 802-3322, TTY 711, Monday through Friday.

Report Derecho Storm Damage Online with New Fairfax County Disaster Database

The Fairfax County Office of Emergency Management (OEM) has launched a new Disaster Damage Database reporting tool. The online tool is designed to allow County residents to report damage caused by emergencies like hurricanes, tropical storms, earthquakes, fires, snow or other disasters -- even the derecho that struck Fairfax County and the region on Friday evening, June 29.

Fairfax County may share the disaster damage reports with the Commonwealth of Virginia, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and/or the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) to evaluate whether Fairfax County can be declared a major disaster area, on the state and/or federal level, and what kind of federal disaster assistance should be made available to county residents who have suffered losses.

Emergency Management officials encourage residents to begin using this reporting tool by submitting any damage suffered from the June 29 weather event. However, OEM stresses that submission of disaster damages is not a requirement to apply for federal disaster assistance nor is it a promise that federal disaster assistance will be provided to cover damages from the derecho, or any other disaster event when the online tool is used.

The online database is at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/disasterreport/.

For more information about the Disaster Damage Database, emergency management or how you and your family can better prepare for emergencies, email OEM or phone (571)350-1000, TTY 711.

Dranesville News



Express Lanes I-495 Lewinsville Road Bridge Sidewalks, Paving and Realignment Completed

The 495 Express Lanes project is over 95% complete and scheduled to open later this year.

Crews have been busy in the McLean area recently completing the paving along Lewinsville Road over I-495. New sidewalks have been installed along both sides of the bridge with on-road lanes for bicycles. The sidewalks extend from the bridge to the Snow Meadow and Timberly communities and to Scott's Run Road on the Inner Loop side of 495. This fall, crews will return to add additional topsoil and grass seed.

For more information on the 495 Express Lanes project please visit <u>www.495Expresslanes.com</u>.



Loudoun County Votes to Fund Dulles Metrorail Project Phase II

On July 3, the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors by a vote of 5-4 agreed to fund a 4.8 percent share of the \$5.6 billion Metrorail lines capital cost or some \$270 million dollars. In addition, they will help build two rail stations in the County and pay \$18 million a year toward the potential cost of Metrorail extending its service.

The vote marked an important step in the future of the Dulles Rail project. Loudoun's "opting in" greatly increases the likelihood that the 23-mile rail line from West Falls Church to Washington Dulles International Airport will become reality some 50-years after the airport opened to flights in 1962.

The Loudoun Board's vote has practical importance for Fairfax County. If there were no Loudoun stations, Dulles Airport officials said they could not accommodate all of the additional commuter parking at the existing stations.

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors has called upon Fairfax's federal representatives to work harder to reopen the question of federal funds for Phase 2. Some \$900 million in federal money has been contributed to Phase 1 of Dulles Rail, which runs through Wiehle Avenue in Reston and is on schedule to be open in 2013.

Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project Marks Milestone Phase 2 to Dulles Airport and Loudoun County Moves Forward

The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (MWAA) has announced that it will soon complete a major milestone: the completion of the large aerial guideways that will carry the new Metro line. About 6 miles of the 11.7-mile first phase of the Silver Line required aerial structures. As of now, the construction of Phase I of the Silver Line is 77% complete.

In addition MWAA has initiated the procurement process to select a design-build contractor for Phase 2 of the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project. This is an important milestone for the project to extend Metrorail to Dulles Airport and Loudoun County.

The Authority has issued a Request for Qualifications Information (RFQI) to solicit qualifications statements from potential bidders on the 11.5 mile extension from Wiehle Avenue westward through Dulles Airport to Route 772 in eastern Loudoun County.

Patrick Nowakowski, Executive Director of the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project said, "We are grateful

to our project partners in the Federal Government, Virginia, Fairfax and Loudoun Counties who have helped keep this project moving forward. We will conduct a process to select a highly qualified team to design and build Phase 2 in the most cost-effective manner."

The RFQI has been posted on the Airports Authority website at http://www.mwaa.com/5015.htm

Statements of Qualifications will be gathered from prospective bidders and a "short list" of no more than five teams will be developed. Next, a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking both technical and price proposals will be issued to the short-listed teams. The contract will then be awarded to the team that meets the technical requirements and has the lowest price.

It is currently estimated that a contract could be awarded as soon as late spring 2013 and construction of Phase 2 could be completed approximately five years after the contract is awarded.

For more information on the I-495 Express Lanes, please contact Cheryl Patten in the office of Supervisor Foust at (703) 356-0551 or by email at Cheryl.patten@fairfaxcounty.gov.

VDOT Announces New E-ZPass Fees

This spring, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) announced a proposal to charge a new fee for the electronic transponders that allow motorists to pay tolls without having to stop at toll booths. The fee would be in addition to the tolls paid by users. At Supervisor Foust's request, the Board of Supervisors noted its objection to any new charge for the E-Z Pass transponder. In a letter to VDOT, the Board of Supervisors enumerated several reasons the new fee should not be imposed and noted that it "strongly objects to any increased costs or fees being imposed on E-Z Pass transponder users in Virginia."

Following review of public input, VDOT decided to modify its proposal but still insisted on implementing some of the new fees that the Board of Supervisors found objectionable. The new fee structure, described below, takes effect Sept. 1, 2012.

Current E-ZPass customers with open accounts as of July 9, 2012, will not be charged a monthly fee until they replace their existing transponder or add a new one to their account. They will then be charged a 50-cent monthly fee per new standard transponder or a \$1 monthly fee per new Flex transponder. The fee is applicable to new transponders obtained after July 9, 2012.

New E-ZPass customers opening accounts after July 9, 2012, will be charged a 50-cent monthly fee per standard transponder or a \$1 monthly fee per Flex transponder.

Flex transponders will be charged the lower standard transponder fee (50 cents) until Jan. 1, 2013, after the 495 Express Lanes open. Then the monthly fee will be \$1 per Flex transponder. The fee will be waived when the Flex transponder is used exclusively for carpooling on the 495 Express Lanes and the future 95 Express Lanes.

E-ZPass Flex customers – Motorists planning to carpool in the 495 Express Lanes and the future 95 Express Lanes will need to obtain an "E-ZPass Flex" transponder, which will allow them to ride the Express Lanes for free. The Flex transponder is switched to the "HOV" position when three or more persons are carpooling. The monthly fee will be waived when the Flex transponder is used exclusively in the "HOV" mode on the Express Lanes. However, a \$1 monthly fee will apply if the Flex transponder is used in the non-HOV mode on the Express Lanes or on other toll facilities. The fee will also apply if the Flex is not used at all.

The current \$25 deposit will no longer be required for new transponders. Customers who have previously paid a deposit will have it converted to prepaid tolls on their accounts when they replace a transponder or will receive a refund if they return a transponder and close their account. New customers will still be required to pay \$35 in prepaid tolls when opening an E-ZPass account.

For more information on E-ZPass, go to www. EZPassVA.com.

Salona Park Master Plan Meeting Planned for October 4

The Salona Task Force has been meeting regularly this summer to prepare for a community meeting scheduled for October. The meeting will be interactive and begin with an opening statement by the task force chair, Margaret Malone, explaining the mission of the task force and presenting an overview of the work of the task force since its inception. Attendees will be invited to visit various themed stations which will highlight the different concepts for activities in the park that were studied by the task force. Residents will be given an opportunity to make comments and suggestions.

For additional information contact Supervisor Foust staff aide Cheryl Patten at Cheryl.patten@fairfaxcounty.gov or (703)356-0551.

Airports Authority Launches Sound Wall Program for Dulles Toll Road

The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority has announced its program to repair and replace existing sound walls along the Dulles Toll Road and to build new walls where necessary in accordance with federal noise standards.

When the Airports Authority assumed responsibility for the operation and improvement of the Dulles Toll Road, it committed to assessing the current sound walls and developing a policy for repair, replacement and the construction of new walls. The new Airports Authority policy includes a one-time provision for evaluating those areas that did not qualify for noise walls under the Virginia guidelines.

The evaluation process began in 2010 and included extensive noise monitoring analysis along the Dulles Toll Road and public meetings with residents in the affected communities. A policy was modified in 2012 to conform to changes in the federal noise regulations and in Virginia policy and guidelines, resulting in a repair, replacement and new construction plan now underway.

Repair work began this year on approximately 4.2 miles of existing walls at a cost of \$2.4 million. Replacement and construction of new walls will begin in 2013.

Two developments were identified for replacement walls, Wolftrap Meadows and Bluffs of Wolf Trap, at a cost of \$11.4 million. That work will be done in 2013-2014.

Five areas without walls were identified and found eligible for sound walls:

• Worldgate Condominiums • Odricks Corner

McLean Hamlet

- **Dulles Greene Apartments**
- Courtyard by Marriott and Summerfield Suites.

The next step in the new noise wall process is to seek concurrence from adjacent property owners who have the option of rejecting construction of the new walls.

The Airports Authority will initiate design for the walls once concurrence has been received from the property owners. The estimated cost of new walls is \$13 million. Construction is expected to begin in 2013.

Visit this link to view the Dulles Toll Road noise policy: http://www.mwaa.com/file/DTR Noise Policy.pdf.

For more information contact Cheryl Patten in the office of Supervisor Foust at (703) 356-0551 or email Cheryl-Patten@FairfaxCounty.gov.

Old Chesterbrook Road Bridge Over Pimmit Run Closed for Summer

Until September 3, McLean residents and commuters are detouring around the Old Chesterbrook Road Bridge over Pimmit Run. The bridge is receiving emergency replacement of its super structure after a January 2012 inspection by VDOT determined that the bridge deck and structural steel had serious loss, deterioration and holes that require immediate action.

During the bridge closure, signs are directing drivers to detour via Westmoreland Street, Chain Bridge Road, Old Dominion Drive and Birch Road.

Included in the renovation will be replacement and extension of the existing pedestrian facilities on the north side of the bridge, a new crosswalk and improved Julie. Ide@fairfaxcounty.gov. access to the Pimmit Run streamside trail.

Bridge engineers say that the improved bridge will have a smoother transition from road to bridge surface. Included in this project is the diversion of a 24-inch sewer line to work around new retaining walls and allow better maintenance access to the lines.

After the bridge re-opens in September, some additional daytime lane closures may be needed to finish detail work. The entire project is expected to cost about \$1 million and be complete in November 2012.

For more information contact Julie Ide in the office of Supervisor Foust at (703) 356-0551 or email

New Herndon Mayor and Town Council Members Inaugurated

On June 21 the Town of Herndon swore in its newly elected Mayor, Lisa Merkel and the 2012-13 Town Council. Town Clerk Vicki Wellershaus delivered the oath of office. Prior to her election as mayor, Lisa Merkel served the previous council as Vice Mayor.

The 2012-13 Herndon Town Council members are Vice Mayor Connie Haines Hutchinson, Melissa Jonas, Dave Kirby, Sheila Olem, Charlie Waddell, and Grace Wolf. The new mayor and council held its first public meeting on July 10⁻

Outgoing Mayor, Steve Debenedittis was recognized before the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors for his contributions to the Town of Herndon at the June 19 Board meeting.



Fairfax County Board of Supervisors recognizes outgoing Mayor Steve DeBenedittis for his service to Herndon. (l-r) Chairman Bulova, Councilman Dave Kirby, Council member Connie Hutchinson, Mayor Steve DeBenedittis, Rosmary DeBenedittis, Dranesville Supervisor John Foust and Councilman Charlie Waddell.



Newly elected Herndon Mayor, Lisa Merkel.

Georgetown Pike Recommended for National Register of Historic Places and Virginia Landmarks Register

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors voted at its June 5 meeting to endorse the admittance of Georgetown Pike to the National Register of Historic Places and to the Virginia Landmarks Register. The Architecture Review Board (ARB) then considered the nomination of Georgetown Pike at its June 14 meeting and recommended the admittance to the Department of Historic Resources. The ARB is the designated body under the National Park Service's Certified Local Government program and is responsible for reviewing all National Register nominations in Fairfax County.

The National Register of Historic Places is a nationwide inventory of properties that are important because of their place in the history, architecture, archaeology, engineering, and/or culture of our country. To be listed in the National Register, a property must go through a designation process that is administered by each state's State Historic Preservation Officer. In Virginia, that agency is the Department of Historic Resources. In 1993 Georgetown Pike was declared eligible for designation to the National Register, based upon its regional importance in the area of significance of transportation.

The Virginia Landmarks Register, also managed by the Virginia Department of Historic Resources, is the state's official list of properties important to Virginia's history. The same

criteria are used to evaluate resources for inclusion in the state register as are used for the National Register.

Georgetown Pike has a long and eventful history that justifies this special designation. In 1813, Georgetown Pike was constructed to provide a direct connection from Fairfax County to Potomac River ports in Georgetown, making it one of the first paved roads in Virginia. In 1974, the Pike became Virginia's first Scenic By-Way.

The 14.3 mile Georgetown Pike of 1813 began at what is now the Virginia side of the Chain Bridge in Arlington County, following today's Chain Bridge Road to Dolley Madison Boulevard into Fairfax County, turning onto Georgetown Pike near the CIA, crossing the Capital Beltway, through the village of Great Falls, and ending at Leesburg Pike near Seneca Road.

For decades, the members of the Georgetown Pike and Potomac River Association have fought to protect the historic and scenic aspects of this very special road. The designation of admittance in the National Register of Historic Places and the Virginia Landmarks Register is important to the preservation of Georgetown Pike from the pressures of increasing traffic and development.

County Partners with Town of Herndon on Stormwater Projects

At the June 19 meeting of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, the County entered into agreements with the Town of Herndon to provide financial assistance for two stormwater projects in the Town:

- At Herndon Centennial Park Golf Course, construct a pond retrofit at the Herndon Public Works Maintenance Facility with the County providing \$243,000 and the Town contributing \$54,000 in funding towards the project. This improvement is within the Sugarland Run watershed. The proposed enhancements will provide improved nutrient reduction and increase the approximate size of drainage area by 58 acres.
- At Herndon Public Works Maintenance Facility, part of the Horsepen Creek Watershed, the County will provide \$98,000 to fund a pond retrofit. The project will expand existing facilities to capture and treat additional runoff and provide extended detention of water that drains into the facilities.

In addition to improving the water quality, both projects are being implemented to achieve compliance with the Town's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit and the Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load requirements.

For more information on these projects contact Jennifer Boysko in the office of Supervisor Foust at (703)356-0551 or email Jennifer.Boysko@FairfaxCounty.gov.

Six New Dranesville Transportation Projects Funded

Based on the recommendation of Dranesville Supervisor John Foust, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors voted at its July 10 meeting to fund six new transportation projects in Dranesville:

Kirby Road, McLean: Install sidewalk on north side of Kirby Road from Chesterbrook Pool to east

of Chesterbrook Elementary School.

N. West Street, Falls Church: Install sidewalk on the north side of N. West Street between Great Falls

Street and Brilyn Place.

Sunrise Valley Drive, Herndon: Install sidewalk on east side of Sunrise Valley Drive from River Birch Road

to Legacy Circle.

Dolley Madison Blvd., McLean: Install missing sidewalk segments on south side of Dolley Madison from Old

Dominion Drive to Beverly Avenue.

Dolley Madison Blvdl, McLean: Install sidewalk on south side of Dolley Madison Blvd. from Chain Bridge

Road to bus stop east of Kurtz Road.

Leesburg Pike, Vienna/McLean: Complete missing segments of bicycle trails and shared use paths on Route 7

from Beulah Road to Dulles Toll Road for access to Metro Rail Station.

The viability of these projects cannot be determined with certainty until a preliminary design is completed. Sometimes the lay of the land, the presence of utilities or large trees or other obstructions mean that the project is difficult or impossible to engineer and construct with available funds. In addition, when constructing pedestrian/bicycle facilities, often there is not adequate public right-of-way available. In these cases, completion of these projects will be contingent upon obtaining easements from the property owners who own the land where the pedestrian/bicycle route is proposed.

For more information please contact Julie Ide in the office of Supervisor Foust at (703) 356-0551 or Julie.Ide@FairfaxCounty.gov.

Herndon Fire Station Update

Fairfax County staff has been working with the Town of Herndon as the new fire station project moves through the rezoning process. The new station will replace the current Herndon Fire Station located at the corner of Spring and Locust Streets. Built in 1950, the existing station is one of the oldest stations in the County. The station will not be relocated because the fire station's current location provides the best emergency response time.

The firm Zivic & Hurdle Architects, P.C. has developed the plans for the new station. Plans were submitted be-



Existing Herndon Fire Station.

fore the Herndon Planning Commission on July 2, and will be reviewed before the Town Council Work Session on August 8 and at the Council's Public Hearing on August 14. The site plan will then go to the Town's Heritage Preservation Review Board to obtain the Certificate of Approval.

Wolf Trap Fire Station Construction Nears Completion

Construction of the new Wolf Trap Fire Station remains on schedule and is expected to be completed this fall. Although the construction of the station will be substantially completed at that time, it is proposed that the station will first be used for classroom training until its official opening next year.

Because of funding constraints the Fire and Rescue Department will defer staffing and equipping of the station until January 2014. In the interim the fire department would like to use the station for classroom and meeting space. The department will hold a community meeting in October to present the proposed interim use for the station with nearby residents.

"I have been assured by Ronald Mastin, Chief of the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department, that between now and the official opening of the new station, the area will continue to be fully served by two nearby stations," said Supervisor Foust.



WOLFTRAP FIRE STATION

The facility, named Station 42, is a 38-foot tall single story building and includes four bays, a hose tower (48 feet), bunk rooms, laundry, dining room, and offices. The station has been designed to attain Silver certification under the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards. The station's grounds will have "dark sky" lighting fixtures, a rain garden for storm water management and landscaping featuring drought-resistant native plants.

Route 28 Station - South Study Underway

The **Route 28 Station - South Study** is a planning study to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the existing Fairfax County Comprehensive Plan and identify appropriate changes to help guide future development in the vicinity of the transit station formally known as The Route 28/CIT Station (now named the Innovation Center Station).

The study is focusing on the land area generally bounded by the Dulles Toll Road to the north, Frying Pan Road to the south, Sully Road (Route 28) to the west and Centreville Road to the east. The commercial area located to the east of Centreville Road and south of Sunrise Valley Drive also is part of the study area.

The Route 28 Station - South Study will update the existing Comprehensive Plan recommendations to ensure support for the County's Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Policy and that the recommendations support the implementation of rail.

This study is a counterpart to the planning activities that are underway for other areas along the Reston-Dulles Corridor including the three Reston area transit stations that are part of the Reston Master Plan Special Study, and the north side of the Innovation Center station.

For more information contact Jennifer Boysko in Supervisor Foust's Herndon office at (703) 471-5076 or email Jennifer.Boysko@FairfaxCounty.gov.

Dranesville "Aging in Community" Update

"Aging in Community" is a national movement whereby communities are exploring ways for seniors to stay in their own homes, or "age in community" and more fully enjoy their senior years. Supervisor Foust and his staff continue to work with community groups in Great Falls, Herndon and McLean to explore concepts and ideas to better understand and meet the needs of seniors in the Dranesville district and facilitate "aging in place". Here is an update on the ongoing Aging in Community efforts in Dranesville:

McLean: Creating a Livable Community for All Ages

Over the past several months, subcommittees have been hard at work on follow up items identified at the Forum held last October.

- The Aging in McLean Working Group has conducted a review of County and non-profit resources currently available for seniors citizens and adults living with a disability and has researched demographic data to learn how many seniors are living in McLean and to identify gaps in service.
- The McLean Community Center has agreed to provide a space for a volunteer Help Desk especially for McLean's seniors and is working with the Aging in McLean Working Group to identify new programing ideas for the future to meet the needs of the aging population.
- One homeowners association in McLean is exploring the "Village Concept", engaging in discussions to create a pilot program in McLean. The Village Concept is a grassroots neighbor-helping-neighbor project, being initiated in small communities around the country.
- The Shepherd's Center, a non-profit group organized through houses of worship, is actively working to expand its efforts in McLean as well.
- The next steering committee will be on July 24 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Dolley Madison Library in Room 1.
- Virginians Organized for Interfaith Community Engagement (VOICE) held a meeting to address senior issues at Temple Rodef Shalom on June 28 to discuss transportation and programing at the McLean Community Center. Supervisor Foust and his staff attended.

To participate on the Aging in McLean Working Group please contact Jennifer Boysko (703) 471-5076.

Great Falls Citizens Association: Seniors Committee

The Great Falls Citizens Association (GFCA) Seniors Committee hosted a lunch on July 10 to honor community members who have lived in Great Falls for 50 years or more. The GFCA Seniors Committee will be hosting regular events throughout the year and is in the process of working with Supervisor Foust's office to create an official "Senior Center Without Walls".

The next Seniors Committee working meeting is scheduled for August 14 at 12:30 p.m. in the large conference room of the Great Falls Library. At this meeting, the program of future monthly events for older adults for 2012-2013 will be further developed. The September 2012 event will be held at the Dranesville Tavern; the featured presentation will be on the Civil War Battle of Dranesville.

Herndon: Grandparents Day

On September 9 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., in conjunction with the Annual Herndon Classic Car Show, AARP will be hosting a Grandparents Day celebration at Art Space. All proceeds will go to provide much-needed scholarship funds for the geriatric nursing program at George Mason University. We continue to experience a shortage of nurses.



For more information about Aging in Community activities please contact Jennifer Boysko in the office of Supervisor Foust at (703) 471-5076 or email Jennifer.Boysko@FairfaxCounty.gov.

Upcoming Land Use Cases in Dranesville

TD Bank, N.A. (SE 2012-DR-003)

6256 and 6260 Old Dominion Drive, McLean

Proposed Special Exception to lease an existing vacant tenant space in the Chesterbrook Plaza shopping center for a financial institution and construct a two-lane drivethrough facility.

Planning Commission hearing: July 12, 2012 Board of Supervisors hearing: Date to be announced

Sivnam Partners, LLC (SE 2010-DR-019)

12218 Leesburg Pike, Great Falls

Applicant proposes to convert an existing drive-in financial institution to a fast food restaurant with a drive-through.

Planning Commission hearing: July 19, 2012 Board of Supervisors hearing: Date to be announced

McLean Glen, Board of Supervisor's Own Motion (RZ 2012-DR-006)

13 lots near the intersection of Spring Hill Road and Lewinsville Road.

Board's own motion to rezone 13 lots that were subject of RZ 2005-DR-009 from PDH-3 back to the R-1 development status that existed for each lot prior to the rezoning.

Planning Commission hearing: Date to be announced Board of Supervisors hearing: Date to be announced

For more information please contact Benjamin Wiles in the office of Supervisor Foust at (703)356-0551 or email Benjamin.Wiles@FairfaxCounty.gov.

Phase II Study of Tysons Traffic Impact on Surrounding Communities Begins

The Consolidated Traffic Impact Analyses (CTIA) is currently being conducted by the Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT), in cooperation with the Tysons Corner zoning applicants, to assess cumulative traffic impacts of the simultaneous zoning applications in Tysons.

As part of the CTIA, FCDOT has launched Phase II of the Tysons Corner Neighborhood Traffic Impact Study (NTIS). Supervisor Foust initiated NTIS Phase I to evaluate key intersections in the area surrounding Tysons Corner to predict how the intersections would perform once the Silver Line metro stations open and expected year 2030 levels of development were reached. The results of NTIS Phase I have already informed spot improvement design and funding decisions for intersection improvements in the magisterial districts surrounding Tysons.

NTIS Phase I was conducted in 2009 and 2010, prior to the adoption of the Tysons Corner Comprehensive Plan Amendment. Since the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan Amendment and the evaluation of the rezoning requests, there is a better information on the development levels that can be expected in Tysons Corner. Therefore, the results of the prior analysis are likely to change with NTIS Phase II.

Supervisor Foust worked with community leaders in developing the following list of intersections to be studied:

- Route 123 (Dolley Madison Blvd.) at Lewinsville Rd./Great Falls St.
- Route 123 (Dolley Madison Blvd.) at Old Dominion Dr.
- Lewinsville Rd. at Route 7
- Lewinsville Rd. at Spring Hill Road
- Lewinsville Rd. at Swinks Mill Road (4-way stop)
- Lewinsville Rd. at Balls Hill Road
- Great Falls St. at Chain Bridge Road
- Great Falls St. at Magarity Road
- Magarity Rd. at Route 7
- Georgetown Pike at Swinks Mill Rd (non-signalized)

- Georgetown Pike at Balls Hill Road
- Chain Bridge at Dolley Madison
- Chain Bridge at Old Dominion
- Chain Bridge at Westmoreland
- Great Falls Road at Idylwood
- Great Falls Road at Haycock
- Georgetown Pike at Route 123
- Georgetown Pike at I495 ramps
- Georgetown Pike at Old Dominion
- Idylwood Rd. at Route 7

Please call Julie Ide in the office of Supervisor Foust if you have any questions at (703) 56-0551 or email <u>Julie.Ide@FairfaxCounty.gov</u>.

Ribbon Cutting Opens Wolf Trap Pedestrian Bridge on June 18

The Wolf Trap Pedestrian/Bicycle Bridge and Multi-use Trail opened to the public formally with a ribbon cutting held on June 18

The bridge spans both the Hunter Mill and Dranesville County magisterial districts where Towlston Road crosses the Dulles Toll Road, providing safe pedestrian and bicycle access to the Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts. The bridge also provides important connectivity to surrounding neighborhoods for general bicycle and pedestrian use.

Before:



After:





(left to right) Hunter Mill Supervisor Cathy Hudgins, Melisa Ridenour (Federal Highway Administration), Congressman Jim Moran, Dranesville Supervisor John Foust, Ellen Vogel (Virginia Department of Transportation), Jennifer Joy Madden (County Transportation Advisory Committee)

McLean Community Center Governing Board Election Results

Elections for open positions on the 2012 McLean Community Center (MCC) Governing Board were held on Saturday, May 19 during McLean Day in Lewinsville Park. McLean Small District 1A residents voted to fill three adult board positions and two youth board seats.

The following individuals received the highest number of votes and were appointed to the MCC Board by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors at their May 22 board meeting:

Adults, three year terms: Laurelie Wallace, Susan Bourgeois and Craig Richardson

Youth, one year term Langley High School area: Drew Armstrong Youth, one-year term McLean High School area: Malika Nimmagadda

For questions about the boundaries of Small District 1A or any other aspect of the MCC Governing Board and its elections, please contact the MCC at (703) 744-9348 or email <u>elections@mcleancenter.org</u>.



McLean Celebrates Groundbreaking of Utility Undergrounding Project

McLean residents will soon notice big changes at the intersection of Old Dominion Drive and Chain Bridge Road as a result of the commencement of the project to underground utilities, a project that was decades in the making. At a June 7 ceremony on the grassy peninsula near Listrani's, Supervisor John Foust and other officials and representatives from the McLean Revitalization Corporation (MRC) broke ground to mark the start of this significant project.



The undergrounding of overhead power and other utility lines will occur along one side of Old Dominion from the Shell service station to Center Street (beyond the PNC Bank), and along both sides of Chain Bridge Road from approximately Laughlin Street (Capital One/Starbucks) to approximately Curran Street (Boston Market/McLean Cleaners). The undergrounding project will tie in with the existing undergrounding along Lowell and Emerson Avenues that was completed as part of the Palladium project.

In addition, the traffic signals that presently hang from wires from various poles will be replaced by the more attractive mast arm poles now preferred by VDOT. While the intersection was not on VDOT's schedule for signal replacement, at the urging of Supervisor Foust, VDOT found the funding necessary for construction of the mast arms.

In July 2011, all the necessary easements were obtained and recorded, and County staff began to finalize the plans and obtain necessary approvals from VDOT. After

competitive bidding, the County awarded the contract to Trafford Company.

Work has begun with the construction of the duct banks and is expected to take 6-9 - months. The utility companies will then pull the wires, which could take another 6 -9 months. A significant amount of the construction of the duct banks will be done at night so as to minimize disruption to traffic and commercial activity at one of the busiest intersection in McLean.



Before undergrounding and mast

Projected image after undergrounding: and mast arm replacement

After completion of the utility work, brick and concrete

sidewalks will be installed throughout the project area. A Federal Transportation Enhancement Grant (TEG) awarded to the MRC will fund the sidewalk work. Pedestrian improvements at the Old Dominion/Chain Bridge intersection will follow, also with funding from the TEG.

In addition to bond funds, the County will apply funds proffered by the Exxon Corporation as part of its redevelopment of the service station project in downtown McLean, and the MRC will contribute the funds it has held in escrow as part of the Palladium project.

"To see the undergrounding project finally underway is very exciting," said Supervisor John Foust at the groundbreaking ceremony. "I am extremely grateful to the various property owners who granted easements at no cost to the project. I also want to express deep appreciation to County Department of Transportation staff and the MRC for working long and hard to get us to where we are today."

Recognitions

Dranesville District 2012 Lord and Lady Fairfax Honored at June 5 Ceremonies

Rob Jackson and Jackie Taylor were selected as 2012 Dranesville Lord and Lady Fairfax by Supervisor John Foust. Mr. Jackson and Ms. Taylor were honored, along with other district awardees, at events on June 5. Supervisor Foust selected Mr. Jackson and Ms. Taylor because of their dedication and efforts in their role as Presidents of two major Dranesville citizens associations, respectively, McLean Citizens Association and Great Falls Citizens Association.

Jackie Taylor is currently serving her fourth term as President of the Great Falls Citizens Association.

Rob Jackson served as president of the McLean Citizens Association from 2007-2012 and as secretary of the Greater McLean Chamber of Commerce. He also represented the McLean community on the board of the Tysons Partnership, which is coordinating with Fairfax County on the redevelopment of Tysons.

The Lord and Lady Fairfax Program was founded in the mid-1980's by Celebrate Fairfax, Inc. Each Fairfax County Supervisor annually nominates a Lord and Lady from their district; so far, more than 500 individuals have been honored.

All 2012 Lords and Ladies were recognized at a special presentation during the June 5 meeting of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. The Celebrate Fairfax! Salute to the honorees was that evening.



2012 Dranesville District Lady and Lord Fairfax Jackie Taylor and Rob Jackson (front row, 8th and 7th from right) are 2 of the 20 who received this honor. On June 5 they were recognized by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

McLean Resident Ed Shahin Honored for Volunteer Work in the Community

Molina Healthcare recently recognized four individuals for their community work at its second annual Community Champions Awards event in Virginia. McLean resident Ed Shahin was honored for his advocacy work on behalf of the senior population in his community.

Ed Shahin is a longtime community activist who has worked tirelessly over the years to improve the lives of McLean residents, with a special focus on the senior population. Upon two separate retirements from the CIA, Shahin identified a glaring problem in the lack of services and programs that were available for seniors like himself, especially in a community where the senior population is the largest growing demographic. While serving as one of the elected members of the McLean Community Center Governing Board for the past decade, Shahin advocated for increased services and funding to support seniors. Currently, he volunteers at the Lewinsville Senior Center, where he helped develop and

support the center's computer class, exercise class and other activities through a partnership with the McLean Community Center. Shahin is currently a vital member of the Aging in McLean Task Force, which is sponsored by Supervisor John Foust.



Established to honor the memory of Dr. Molina, the Molina Healthcare Community Champions award program spotlights the good deeds of everyday heroes in their communities. At this second annual event in Virginia, the winners were nominated by community-based organizations and also received \$1,000 grants to give to deserving nonprofit organizations as part of their award. Shahin gave his grant to the McLean Rotary Club Foundation.

Molina Healthcare manages the Community Health Care Network (CHCN) health centers on behalf of Fairfax County. The CHCN health centers are located in Alexandria, Falls Church and Reston.

McLean Project for the Arts Celebrates 50-Year Anniversary

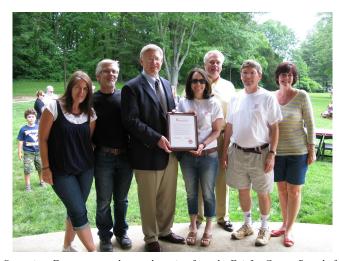
2011 marks the 50th Anniversary of the McLean Project seniors' artwork. for the Arts (MPA). For five decades, the MPA has vigorously engaged the McLean community in an exploration of the visual arts and provided a venue to foster an understanding and appreciation of contemporary art.

Established in 1962, the group has been a dynamic presence in the McLean community reaching more than 30,000 residents annually through gallery exhibitions, art classes and diverse educational offerings. Fifty years later the McLean Project for the Arts continues to be a leader in promoting the artwork of nearly 2,000 rising and prominent contemporary artists who work in the mid -Atlantic region.

ArtReach is one of the hallmark programs of the McLean Project for the Arts. Through the free off-site events, more than 3,000 public school students, at-risk children, families and senior citizens explore the diversity of art and their own creativity alongside artists and art educators.

Every October, MPA converts McLean Central Park into MPAartfest, a free, one-day festival of the arts with juried artists, vendors, and exhibitions of children's' and

In 2000, former State Senator Clive DuVal II, donated, in loving recognition of his wife's personal and artistic contributions to the MPA, the Susan B. DuVal Art Studio to serve as a workshop for community- based art classes.



Supervisor Foust presented a proclamation from the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, lauding the McLean Project for the Arts on its 50th anniversary at Arts in the Park in June. Shown left to right: Kitty Gonzalez (MPA Board member), Joe Wetzel (MPA Board member), Supervisor John Foust, Nancy Perry (MPA Executive Director), Bill DuBose (Vice Chair of the MPA Board), Vance Zavela (MPA Board member) and Amy Swaak (MPAartfest Coordinator).

Parks Receive Communication Awards

The National Association of Government Communicators (NAGC) presented three 2012 Blue Pencil and Gold Screen awards to the Fairfax County Park Authority at its annual conference held last June. The NAGC awards are peer-selected and recognize excellence in the field of communication.

Receiving an Award of Excellence for Achievement on a

Shoestring Budget was the recently completed Colvin Run Mill exhibit, which highlights this early 19th century operating gristmill. The old Miller's House features an exhibit about the process of milling and the families who operated the mill.

Other Awards of Excellence honored the Sully East Wing Exhibit in the display category and the Park Services Division team which created the Take 12! Steps for Community Health in 2012 calendar.

Colleen Widmaier Awarded Community Scholarship at Celebrate Fairfax! Festival

Dranesville resident and McLean High School student, Colleen Widmaier, received the Community Scholarship at the Celebrate Fairfax! Festival on June 9. Ms. Widmaier was chosen for this honor after submitting an essay describing her participation in a project to restore a home for an elderly woman in need.

The Celebrate Fairfax Community Spirit Scholarship Program recognizes and provides scholarships to ten graduating high school seniors currently enrolled in a Fairfax County Public School. Recipients are recognized for their community involvement, academic accomplishment, extracurricular activities and demonstrated leadership.



Colleen Widmaier (front row, far right) and other County winners, at Celebrate Fairfax! Festival on June 9.

Forestville Elementary School 'Odyssey of the Mind' Team Wins Creativity Award at World Finals

Congratulations to the Forestville Elementary School in Great Falls for winning the prestigious Ranatra Fusca Creativity Award at the Odyssey of the Mind World Finals Competition held at Iowa State University over Memorial Day weekend. The World Finals featured 815 teams and more than 5,000 competitors.

The Odyssey of the Mind is an international competition that offers creative problem-solving for students from kindergarten through college. The competition features a complex problem on which teams often work for months to create a solution in advance of the competition, and a spontaneous one that the students must solve on the spot with no help from coaches, teachers or parents.

The Forestville Team won top honors for its outstanding creativity and teamwork in the "spontaneous problem" category.



The Forestville team is made up of two third grade students, Sarina Bell and Daniel Silvestri; three fourth grades students, Aditya Khera, Caroline Keys and Sydney Pham; and two fifth grade students, Gwyn Murphy and Lawrence Kang. Jeffrey LeLoup, a third grade advanced academics program teacher at Forestville, served as the advisor.

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors honored the Odyssey team along with Forestville Principal Matt Harris and Mr. LeLoup at its June 19 board meeting.

McLean High School Band and Choir Awarded at Festivals

Congratulations to the Mclean High school Choral Department as well as the Symphonic, Concert and Jazz Bands and Percussion Ensemble for award winning performances at three recent festivals.

In late April, the band and percussion students participated in the WorldStrides Heritage Festival in Boston. Each of the three bands brought home first-place trophies and the Percussion Ensemble received the highest rating from judges. In addition, five musicians won soloist awards.

Over Mother's Day weekend, the McLean Festival Orchestra performed at a national festival in Atlanta and received great accolades. In addition to receiving a gold rating for the highest marks possible, they received the "Outstanding Orchestra" trophy. The Festival Orchestra is a combination of students in the Symphonic and Concert Orchestras.

Also over Mother's Day weekend, the McLean Choral Students competed in a National Choir Festival in Philadelphia and received first-place awards in five categories. Two choirs obtained perfect scores. The Choral Department also received the Grand Championship trophy for the festival, having scored higher than any other competing school. Four sections received Outstanding Section awards, and two students received Outstanding Soloist awards. This positive showing contributed to the choir's overall ranking in the nation and qualifies them to compete internationally next year.

Langley High School Choirs Awarded at Overseas Competition

Congratulations to the staff and student members of the Langley High School Chorale Department Concert Choir, Madrigals, Women's Chamber Choir, and the Women's Select Treble Choir for their award-winning performance in an international competition and on the success of their concerts in Prague, Vienna and Salzburg.

This past spring, members of the chorale groups competed against ensembles of singers from around the world during the international competition called Young Prague 2012. Langley High School singers won three gold and one silver awards at the competition.

Following the end of the competition, the students proudly represented their home school and joined the other student groups who had participated in the competition in a parade through the streets of Prague.

McLean High School Girls Tennis Team Wins State Championship

Congratulations to the Langley High School Girls Tennis Team for winning the Virginia AAA State Championship, its first since 1992. The Saxons clinched the title in Newport News on June 2 by beating Mills Godwin, a school in Richmond.

In the state finals, the Saxons split their six singles matches. In order to take home the trophy, the girls had to win at least two of its three doubles matches, which they did.

The State Championship was the highlight in a season which saw the team finish with a perfect 20-0 record. The team also captured the Liberty District and the Northern Region tournament titles.



The McLean High School Tennis Team and their coach, Sara Vincent, were recognized at the July 10 meeting of Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

Bob Lundegard Named Dranesville Community Champion

Volunteer Fairfax and Supervisor John Foust honored Robert Lundegard of Dranesville District with a Community Champion award on April 27 during the 20th Anniversary Fairfax County Volunteer Service Awards ceremony sponsored by United Healthcare.

Supervisor John Foust nominated Lundegard for this award to recognize Lundegard's dedication to the community. Robert Lundegard's activities serve people locally, regionally and nationally. Mr. Lundegard works with a number of organizations, including the Great Falls Historical Society, Great Falls Citizen's Association, and Society for Preservation of Old



Mills, to provide knowledge of Fairfax County's history to both school children and area residents. Most recently, his efforts have included securing a fifty thousand dollar building fund that completed the Visitor's Center at Colvin Run Mill.

This distinguished award recognizes volunteers who are committed to improving Fairfax County through their dedicated efforts of bringing the community together in order to work towards a common goal of addressing the concerns of County residents. Each year, each County Supervisor nominates a Community Champion from his/her magisterial district.

Announcements

Personal Property (Car) Tax Bills in the Mail

The 2012 Personal Property (car) Tax bills are being mailed to Fairfax County residents, with payment due by Friday, October 5. There is no vehicle decal, unless you are a resident within the town limits of Clifton and Herndon and then you are required to purchase a decal from your town.

Note - Seniors 65 or older or individuals who are totally disabled may qualify for relief from some taxes and fees based on income and assets, excluding the home and up to one acre of land. In addition, disabled veterans may be eligible for personal property (car) tax relief.

For more information about Fairfax County personal property taxes or descriptions of payment options visit the County website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dta or call (703)222-8234, TTY (703)222-7594.

Fairfax County Homepage Being Upgraded —Your Input Is Needed!

Fairfax County wants to hear your thoughts about proposed updates to the County website homepage.

Please take a few minutes to view this PDF presentation http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/sitedemo/2012/ presentation.pdf and provide your rankings and ideas in the survey at the end of the document. The County will consider your responses as they refine the proposed page design available for viewing at: http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/2012/updates/homepage-refresh.htm .

The redesign of the <u>fairfaxcounty.gov</u> homepage is aimed at better serving desktop computer website visitors. This redesign is based on years of collected data, including which pages are most accessed and which online services are most frequently used. Fairfax County would like to know how the majority of people are using the website and then use this information to save time and provide a better homepage experience.

New "Lifetime Leadership Program" Accepting Applications

Leadership Fairfax is bringing its expertise to a new segment of the population: men and women who have retired from full-time professional work. This new program, called Lifetime Leadership (LLP), is based on the belief that retirees can offer a wealth of experience, leadership, and vitality to the community while enriching their own lives. With a lifetime of accumulated skills and experiences, the fall class members of the new Lifetime Leadership Program (LLP) will be inspired and connected to make a difference in the community.

Participants will enjoy new social and community connections while learning more about Fairfax County and its needs and converting a wealth of knowledge into meaningful roles. The five program days are spread over a 2 ½ month period, beginning Wednesday, September 19. Applications are available online at www.LeadershipFairfax.org and can also be requested by calling (703) 752-7504.

Information session:
Wednesday, August 1
11 a.m. to 12 noon
Leadership Fairfax
8230 Old Courthouse Road, Suite 350
Vienna

Leadership Fairfax is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to finding, training and growing leaders in Northern Virginia. For more information or to RSVP call Moniek at (703) 752-7504 or email her at moniek@leadershipfairfax.org.

Stakeholders Meeting on County Stormwater Management Ordinance

The Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES) invites you to participate in information gathering sessions to discuss issues related to the development of a new County Stormwater Management Ordinance. The County will be preparing this ordinance in response to state regulations requiring localities to adopt ordinances and take over reviews and inspections for general permits relating to stormwater runoff from construction sites. The state regulations provide localities with some flexibility in meeting the requirements of the regulations and adapting them to local needs. The information gathered in these sessions will be used in developing the new ordinance and design and construction standards for stormwater control practices.

The first meeting will have an overview of regulations, issues for discussion and timeline and scope of work:

Tuesday, July 24
7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Board Auditorium
Fairfax County Government Center
12000 Government Center Parkway
Fairfax

Other meetings are planned involving small group discussions in September and October. There will be a wrap-up meeting scheduled for January 2013.

For more information, please call Carol Lamborn, at (703)-324-5034, TTY 711.

Great Falls Village Centre Summer Concerts on the Green 2012

Sunday evenings in the summer mark the beginning of the concerts on the Green. Come out with your picnic baskets for an entertaining evening of live music at the Great Falls Village Centre. The concerts are sponsored by local merchants and feature a full range of musical talents from eclectic rock/pop to Country, Jazz and more. All concerts are free to the public.

Event details: Sundays 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Georgetown Pike & Walker Rd Great Falls



This summer's line-up of entertainment:

| Date | Performer | Sponsor |
|---------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| July 22 | Daryl Davis-Jazz/Fifties | Capitol One |
| July 29 | The Remedy–Rock | Bic DeCaro, Realtor |

Rain Dates: August 5, August 12

Concert on the Green 2012 Hotline: (571) 293-0474 For more information please contact the Village Centre Property Manager at gfvcca@aol.com.

Herndon Friday Night Live!

on the Herndon Town Green

Come celebrate summer with the most popular outdoor concert series in the D.C. Area.

Friday Night Live! is a FREE outdoor concert series on the town green in Herndon.

Location:

Herndon Town Green 777 Lynn Street, Herndon VA 6:30 pm - 10:30 pm

Entertainment Line-up:

July 20 The Fuzz + White Ford Bronco

July 27 Kristen & the Noise

August 3 B2B (Jimmy Buffett Tribute)

August 10 Dr. FU + Herr Metal

August 17 Lloyd Dobler Effect + Kicking Norma

August 24 Almost Journey + Down Wilson

Sorry - No Pets Allowed
Event hotline: (703) 481-6133
Call for weather and other updates.
For more information visit www.herndonrocks.com



Alden Theatre's Summer Sunday Concerts in the Park

Bands are performing Sundays in July in the Alden Theatre's Summer Sunday Concerts in the Park series.

Location:

Gazebo of McLean Central Park 1468 Dolley Madison Blvd. (Free parking is available at the McLean Community Center 1234 Ingleside Avenue)

Schedule (Subject to Change):

Sunday, July 22 German Music **Alte Kameraden**



Sunday, July 29 Ugandan/African **Kinobe**

Presented by The Alden in cooperation with the Fairfax County Park Authority, Dranesville District Supervisor John Foust and the New Dominion Women's Club.

For more information, call the Mclean Community Center at (703)790-0123, TTY: 711, or visit: www.aldentheatre.org.

Let Us Entertain You: Free Outdoor Events at McLean Civic Place Green

The Palladium at McLean's Civic Place Green Committee, in cooperation with surrounding communities and the McLean Revitalization Corporation, is continuing its art and music events at its fountain area at the corner of Laughlin and Lowell Avenues. Come grab a light meal, beverage, or fine dessert and enjoy live outdoor entertainment with family and guests in the heart of downtown McLean.

Palladium Civic Place Green Saturdays from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. 1445 Laughlin Avenue McLean

Marshall Maley July 21 **Barbara Marshal Trio**August 4

The GrandsonsAugust 25

The Folsom Prisoners

July 28

Jody Marshall
August 11

Martinez and Guthrie September 1

Jerry Perman and The Sweet Rood Band August 18